GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

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BIRD HIT MENACE
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the bird menace is causing a serious problem at several airports;

(b) whether the bird hit has caused several accidents in the past;

(c) if so, the details thereof during the last three years; and

(d) the remedial steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK)
(a):- No, Sir.
(b):- No accident to an aircraft has taken place due to bird hit during last ten years.
(c):- Does not arise.
(d):- Airfield Environment Management Committees have beenconstituted a t all airports having scheduled flights operations to identify sources of bird attraction and take the necessary steps for prevention of bird strikes. The major steps taken to reduce bird hits are as under:-
(i) Grass cutting and checking water logging inside the airport.
(ii) Scaring and shooting of birds.
(iii) Wire meshing of hangars.
(iv) Garbage dumping in covered bins and early removal thereof.
(v) Regular joint inspection of areas around airport.
(vi) Establishment of modern abattoirs.